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Debra A. Howland, Executive Director New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re:

DE 12-262 – 2013-2014 CORE NH Electric and Gas Energy Efficiency Programs

Request to Amend the Home Energy Assistance Program

Staff Concurrence with Request

Dear Ms. Howland:

On June 24, 2013, the Utilities filed a letter request to amend the CORE Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) through the end of the CORE program year 2014. Their request stated that the changes are consistent with the changes authorized by the Commission's April 5, 2013 secretarial letter relating to the use of 2012 RGGI funds. The Utilities requested expedited approval of their request because currently, homes which require expenditures exceeding the spending cap are not being served.

The Utilities stated that the Community Action Agencies, The Way Home, the Jordan Institute, the Department of Environmental Services, and the Office of the Consumer Advocate support the proposal. Staff wishes to note that it had a number of discussions with the Utilities concerning the proposal and supports the proposal.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marcia A. Brown Staff Attorney

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